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ONE DOLLAR A YEAR

THE R. R. COMMISSION GETTING QUITE BUSY

Succeeds in Securing Reduction in Rates By Express Companies---Other Work Cut Out.

TALLAHASSEE, July 5.—In March of this year, the Railroad Commissioners took up the matter of vegetable rates by express between Florida producing points and south of the Ohio and Potomac rivers with the traffic officials of the Southern Express Company with a view of securing reductions in these interstate rates. As a result of the several conferences had, the Southern Express Company issued a new tariff on vegetable rates between the points mentioned, which made reductions in the rates from two to six cents per crate, and these lower rates became effective June 25th.

While this concession in rates will be of some value to the vegetable producers of Florida, yet it is not as great as it is believed the shippers are entitled to, and the Florida Commission has prepared a tariff of proposed rates on fruits and vegetables which they have today sent to the traffic officials of the Southern Express Company for their approval. The preparation of these rates, covering as it does rates between every station in Florida and every town of a thousand or more inhabitants in all the States south of the Ohio and Potomac rivers, has required considerable time and careful work on the part of the Commission.

The Southern Express Company has

been given until the 16th of July to consider the proposed rates and to approve or disapprove them. If the rates are disapproved, the Florida Commission will immediately take the case before the Interstate Commerce Commission at Washington, D. C., and urge that Commission to prescribe the proposed rates in lieu of the ones now in effect.

Hon. L. C. Massey, Special Counsel for the Railroad Commission, is in Pensacola, where he went to make a motion before the United States court, asking for the appointment of a master for the taking of testimony, which will be presented by the Railroad Commission in the L. & N. passenger rate case.

Commissioners Burr, Blitch and Dunn will leave this morning to make a personal investigation as to the necessity for agencies or depots at Glen St. Mary, Bostwick, Florahome, Wade, Citronelle, Taylorville and Ocoee. Petitions have been received from each of these points asking for the construction of a depot or the establishment of an agency. It will require a week or ten days for the Commissioners to complete this investigation.

Keep your eye on the want ads. There may be something advertised which is of interest to you.

Want Only White Men As Enumerators in the South

WASHINGTON, July 5.—Concerned about what they suppose to be the possibility that negroes may be sent into the homes of white residents of the South as enumerators to gather information for the thirteenth decennial Federal census, Democratic members of Congress will urge President Taft to give instructions that only white enumerators shall be employed in districts south of the Mason and Dixon line. Representatives of the Southern States in Congress say that they have little hope of preventing the employment of negroes unless the President interferes.

Reports of the experience of the Virginia delegation in seeking a portion of the census patronage from that State have disturbed the Southern representatives. Senator Martin and Representative Hay of Virginia, it is said, were informed by Director Durand that the recommendations of the Republican referees in the Southern States would govern, wherever possible, in the designation of supervisors of the census. The supervisors will select enumerators, and it is desired by Southern Congressmen that they shall be instructed not to employ negroes except for sections where none but negroes reside.

As passed by the House the census bill provided that the enumerators should be appointed by the President. The usual requirement that the appointment should be contingent upon the advice and consent of the Senate was absent. An amendment was adopted in the Senate supplying this deficiency. When the bill was considered in conference the President is said to have told some of the members that if the Senate provisions were eliminated he would see to it himself that a satisfactory class of supervisors and enumerators would be

called at the White House and he says he understood the President as giving him the same assurance. The Florida Senator then voted in conference to strike out the provision requiring that the appointments should be confirmed by the Senate, but in spite of the fact that a majority of the conferees of the Senate, which originated the amendment, voted to strike out the provision, the House conference and a minority of the Senate conferees decline to abandon it.

Democratic Senators assert that it was their understanding that census enumerators in the Southern States should be apportioned between the Republican and Democratic parties. They said that it is not the loss of this patronage that disturbs them, but fear that the Republican referees will "pay political debts" through the appointment of negroes. Thus far in the administration of President Taft all of the Republican patronage referees in the Southern States have been white, but that condition has not always existed. It is asserted also that some of these referees are largely under obligations to negro leaders for the permanent positions they held in Republican councils.

All of these conditions tend to occasion concern in the South. The fact that admission to the home cannot be denied to enumerators, white or black, who hold Government commissions to gather statistics, serves to aggravate the situation. It is for this reason that the minority in Congress has decided to appeal to the President.

Balaklava Hero Passes.

LEXINGTON, Ky., July 7.—Benjamin Simcox, 77 years old, a veteran of the Crimean War and who claimed to have taken part in the famous charge at Balaklava, died here yes-

GREAT CHANGES MADE SINCE THE LAST COUNT

MISSES M. McCREDIE AND KIRKLAND HAVE LARGEST VOTE.

Only a Few More Weeks Before the Contest Will Be Over and the Winners Be Known.

The past three days have made some great changes in the Co-Operative Contest and the fact that only a little over one month remains for the working time, the candidates are showing themselves to be hard-workers.

The greatest gain made during the week was by Miss Annie Kirkland of Alachua, whose picture is reproduced in today's Sun. She is proving a faithful worker and securing many new clubs and subscribers for The Sun, besides looking after the interest of



Miss Annie Kirkland, Alachua.

the merchants in her section, judging by the manner in which she is now gaining votes.

Miss Mabel McCredie, whose picture appeared in the last issue, has also made a handsome gain today, but Miss Lorna still leads in the Southern section, and Miss Hattie Ludwig retains first place in the Western part of the county with some hard-workers near her for the first time. Miss Beal is also steadily gaining ground, which shows that she has some hard workers in her behalf.

Following is the result of the canvass:

Gainesville—Central Section.

Miss Addie Goode	1,884,995
Miss Estelle Beal	1,653,320
Miss Margaret Ledbetter	1,101,175
Miss Nora Stalls	145,045
Miss Bessie Carver	107,690
Miss Mary Fernandez	52,360
Miss Myra Swearingen	49,375
Miss Gertrude Harrod	44,870
Miss Blanch Thompson	34,810
Miss Aura M. Lewis	25,040
Miss Alice Schafer	14,605
Miss Mabel Williams	14,075
Mrs. N. W. Taylor	9,570
Miss Annie Bell Taylor	8,065
Miss Eva Bauknight	7,955
Miss Grace Bullard	6,175
Miss Ella Bailey	5,070
Miss Curtis Pitts	2,325
Miss Fannie Whiting	1,480

Eastern and Southern District.

Miss Lorna McCredie, Mcnopy	477,235
Miss Mabel McCredie, Mcnopy	410,955
Miss Martie Chamberlin, Micanopy	388,320
Miss Hattie English, Tacoma	376,270
Miss Ella Jolly, Orange Hts.	357,345
Miss Bessie Waits, Hawthorn	118,350
Miss Myrtle Hammond, Hawthorn	88,800
Miss Bertie Shaw, Fairbanks	76,480
Miss Cordelia Crown, Rocky Point	67,370
Miss Wilma Maines, Montecocha	59,590
Miss Annie Lewis, Hawthorn	49,655
Miss LaVerne Bobbitt, Mcnopy	32,555
Miss Lula Perry, Rochelle	31,325
Miss Pattie Zetrouer, Rochelle	22,745
Miss Effie Tison, Earleton	22,095
Miss Jewel Godwin, Hawthorn	20,365
Miss Gertrude Smith, Fairbanks	13,820

GOVERNOR GILCHRIST AT TAMMANY HALL

Florida's Chief Executive Arouses Enthusiasm, Pointing Out New Race Questions of America.

NEW YORK, July 6.—With its traditional enthusiasm, the Society of Tammany held its Fourth of July celebration yesterday, a throng of members filling the elaborately decorated audience chamber in Tammany Hall and cheering the patriotic sentiments of the speakers.

Chief among these was Governor Albert W. Gilchrist of Florida, who aroused the enthusiasm of his auditors with his pronouncement of renewed faith in traditional Democratic doctrine. Governor Gilchrist devoted considerable attention to the race problem, defending with fervor the South's course with regard to the negro and alluding pointedly to the newer race questions which are agitating other sections of the country.

Governor Gilchrist referred to the tariff question, and pointed out what he declared to be fallacies and absurdities of the Republican platform promises and assertions, expressing wonder that the Republicans had not claimed credit for all the natural advantages of the country. He asserted that every financial panic or crisis which the country has suffered has started while the Republicans were in power.

New England to Blame.

Continuing, the speaker said: "The New England ancestors of the Republican party were largely responsible for slavery and its inception. The Republican party in its platform now talks about having 'freed the slaves.' They never did any such thing. Their freedom grew out of a war incident to secession, the seeds of which they had themselves sown. They simply make this claim in order to have and control the negro vote. They assuredly need all of them they can get. Instead of the Republicans claiming that they freed the slaves, their statement would have been more accurate had they claimed that in open defiance of the constitution they enfranchised the negroes."

Governor Gilchrist said he was opposed to the agitation of the unconstitutionality of the fifteenth amendment to the Federal constitution being started by any Southern legislature or State. "It can safely be affirmed," said he, "that sooner or later, when the Asiatics become voters in California and elsewhere on the Pacific coast, or when the colored contingents of Springfield, Ill., and of Springfield, O., or Pittsburg, or of other cities and States, become too aggressive, and that when the G. O. P. can no longer use the Brother in Black, that this question will be settled right by the Supreme Court of the United States."

President Taft's Plan.

Taking up President Taft's plea for greater division of political sentiment and affiliation in the South, Governor Gilchrist said: "Instead of discussing the race question as it exists in the South, I will invite your attention to it as it now exists in neutral territory—the far Western States."

Miss Georgia Snowden, Hatchet Creek	10,490
Miss Vandalia Staf, Waldo	8,075
Miss Mary Louise Atwater, Waldo	6,375
Miss Nellie Reeves, Micanopy	4,800
Miss Emma Entenza, Waldo	3,340
Miss Mamie Bailey, Waldo	200

Western and Northern Section.

Miss Hattie Ludwig, Tioga	366,665
Miss Annie Kirkland, Alachua	325,960
Miss Lucinda Bryant, Bell	340,765
Miss Eva Powell, Alachua	258,405
Mrs. H. Maddox, Archer	238,435

Suppose this element, Chinese and Japanese, would, as the negroes of the South, vote practically as a unit. Don't you suppose that the white people of California would combine as to preserve their very civilization? Suppose this condition existed throughout the entire Pacific coast and the States bordering thereon, don't you suppose that Mr. Taft would have his hands full in showing these people that 'there shall be more than one political creed?' Don't you suppose that these people consider it in a very different light than patriotic desire? Don't you suppose you would hear of the Solid Pacific?

"Coming a little further East, judging from the riots in Springfield, right under the shadow of the monument of the great Emancipator—you suppose that if the negroes were nearly half of the people of Springfield, the white people of Springfield would consider it 'patriotic' for the negroes, in combination with a few white men, to rule that city?"

"Judging from the riots in Springfield, O., Mr. Taft's own State, under such conditions described above, do you think the 'patriotic desire' of the white people of that State would assert itself? Now, as a matter of fact, right on the main street of the capital city of Florida in a good portion of the city, there are stores owned and managed by negroes. Southern white people feel more kindly toward them than do the whites of any other portion of the United States. If we do not desire to have them rule us any more than would the people of Springfield, O., or Springfield, I desire to be ruled by them. I know of no greater injury which could befall the Southern States than for the white people to divide, and there leave the result to the arbitrament of the negro."

The South Prospering.

"I believe in the 'patriotic desire' of Mr. Taft, where such 'desire' can be properly asserted. I want it become an important plank in the next National Republican platform. Patriotism should begin at home. I want the Republican party to practically break the solidity of the Solid New England States and of Solid Pennsylvania."

Governor Gilchrist said the South is now prospering and developing. "The census returns show that our population is increasing at a rate second to none," he said. "The assessment rolls show that material wealth is increasing rapidly. The increase in number of our schools, our churches show that we are fitting ourselves to be worthy of our increased wealth and strength."

John Sharp Williams, Senator-elect from Mississippi, deploring his inability to come to the celebration wrote:

"If there, I would choose as a subject: 'When a Democrat is Not a Democrat; Some Recent Illustrations.'"

Miss Gertrude Guinn, Hague	209,770
Miss Ellen Beville, Arredondo	136,850
Miss Rosa Lee Rives, High Springs	126,850
Mrs. I. Ware, High Springs	94,250
Miss Aleen Holly, Arredondo	44,350
Miss Annie Beville, Arredondo	32,450
Miss Emma Williams, Trenton	31,850
Miss Jewel Standley, Hague	28,050
Mrs. J. E. Parker, LaCrosse	11,250
Miss Katie Akin, Arredondo	7,550
Miss Ada Pearce, Newberry	7,550
Miss Pearl McLeod, Alachua	3,450
Miss Lula Gay, Bell	1,350
Miss Lizzie Smith, Newberry	1,350